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4772	11/8/49	New York memo	1	no	(see attached)
. 4773	11/9/49	New York memo	1	no:	released in full
4774	11/9/49	Boston teletype to Bureau .	1	yes	
4775	11/8/49	Boston letter to New York	2	no	(see attached)
4776	11/8/49	News article	1	no	released in full
4777	11/8/49	Boston letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4778		Missing			
4779	11/9/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
4780	11/9/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
4781	11/10/49	Richmond teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
4782	11/10/49	Bureau teletype to Boston	1	yes	The state of the s
4783	11/8/49	Boston teletype to Seattle	1	no	released in full
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4786	11/10/49	Cincinnati teletype to Bureau .	1	yes	
4787	11/9/49	Birmingham letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4788	11/10/49	Washington Field Office letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4789	11/14/49	New York teletype to Bureau	2	yes	
4790	11/14/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
4791	11/14/49	Boston teletype to Bureau .	1	yes	
4792	11/10/49	Washington Field Office letter to Bureau	1	yes .	
4793	11/10/49	Philadelphia letter to New York .	1	yes	
4794	11/10/49	Washington Field Office letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4795	11/	Baltimore teletype to Bureau	2	yes	

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4797	11/15/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau	1	ye <i>s</i> i	
4798	11/10/49	Bureau letter to New York .	1	yes	
4799	11/15/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
4800	11/15/49	New York teletype to Bureau .	1	yes	
4801	11/15/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau	2	yes	
4802	11/15/49	New York teletype to Bureau	2	yes	
4803	11/15/49	New York teletype to Bureau .	2	yes	
4804	11/14/49	Philadelphia letter to Baltimore	1	no ·	released in full
4805	11/15/49	Baltimore letter to New York	1	no	released in full
4806	11/16/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
4807	11/16/49	Buffalo teletype to Bureau	1	yes	The second secon

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4809	11/16/49	New York letter to Bureau	1	yeŝ	
4810	11/16/49	New York teletype to Bureau ·	1	yes	
4811	11/16/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
4812	11/17/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
•	11/17/49	Baltimore teletype to New York	1	no	released in full
4813	11/17/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
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4820	11/17/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes .	
4821	11/17/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
4822	11/17/49	New York teletype to Bureau ·	1	yes	
4823	11/17/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4824	11/17/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4825	11/17/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
4826	11/17/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4827	11/18/49	New York memo	2	no	released in ful
4828	11/18/49	Richmond report to Bureau	6	yes	
4829	11/17/49	Washington Field Office letter to Buréau	1	yes	Estate Control
4830	11/18/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
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4832	11/17/49	Bureau teletype to New York	1	yes	
4833	11/17/49	Newark teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
4834	11/18/49	Washington Field Office report to Bureau	3	yes	
4835	11/18/49	Washington Field Office letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4836	11/18/49	Washington Field Office letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4838	11/18/49	New York teletype to Pittsburgh	1	yes	
4839	11/19/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4840	11/18/49	New York teletype to Bureau	6	yes	
4841	11/18/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
4842	11/19/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau .	1	yes	
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4844	11/18/49	Philadelphia report to Bureau	11	yes	

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4845	11/18/49	Newark teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
4846	11/18/49	New York teletype to Bureau	7	yes	
4847	11/18/49	Baltimore letter to Bureau .	2	yes	
4848	11/17/49	New York letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4849		Missing			
4850	11/21/49	Pittsburgh teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
4851	11/21/49	New York teletype to Bureau	6	yes	
4852	11/21/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
4853	11/21/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
4854	11/17/49	Letter to New York	1	no	released in full
4854A	11/19/49	Baltimore letter to Bureau	2	yes	
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4855A	11/19/49	Baltimore letter to Bureau	10	yes	
4856	11/15/49	Denver report to Bureau	71	yes	ė
4857	11/10/49	New York memo •	2	no	released in full
4858	11/21/49	New Haven report to Bureau	2	yes	
4859	11/21/49	Washington Field Office letter to Bureau	2	yes	
4860	11/21/49	New York teletype to Bureau	3	yes	
4861	11/18/49	Seattle letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4862	11/19/49	Buffalo report to Bureaù	5	• yes	
4863	11/21/49	Washington Field Office letter to New York	1	no	released in full
4864	11/21/49	Bureau lab report to Baltimore	1	yes ∵	
4865	11/22/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
4866	11/22/49	New York teletype to Bureau	4	yes	

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4867	11/22/49	New York teletype to Bureau	4	yes	
4868	11/21/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau	3	ye s	<u> </u>
4869	11/18/49	Philadelphia letter to Bureau .	1	yes	
4870	11/22/49	Bureau letter to New York	1	yes	
4871	11/22/49	Bureau letter to New York	1	yes	
4872	11/23/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4873	11/24/49	New York teletype to Bureau	2	yes	·
4874	11/23/49	New York teletype to Bureau .	5	yes	
4875	11/23/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes	•
4876	11/23/49	New York memo .	1	no	released in full
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	881	11/23/49	New York teleype to Bureau .	4	yes	
	881A	11/22/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
	882	11/16/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
	882A	11/25/49	St. Louis teletype to New York	1	no	released in full
	1883	11/23/49	Baltimore report to Bureau	20	yes	
	4883A	11/25/49	Bureau teletype to New York .	1	yes	
	4884	11/25/49	Baltimore teletype to New York	1	yes.	
	4884A	11/25/49	Boston teletype to Bureau .	1	yes	
	4885	11/23/49	Washington Field Office letter to New York	1	no	released in full
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RE: CHAMBERS - HISS NEW YORK 65-14920 SECTION 39

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#### United States Bepartment of Justice New York 7, New York

November 25, 1949

MEMO

Re: JAHAM
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Mr. ROBERT MORRIS of the law firm of HOCHWALD, MORRIS & RICHMON 40 Exchange Place, New York City, advised me on November 22nd that Colonel DEAN IVAN LAMB had come into their law offices recently and requested that they file certain papers for him in Washington, chiefly for pensions, etc. Mr. MORRIS is the New York Secretary for Congressman FREDERIC COUDERTS and LAMB had stated that he was a constituent of COUDERT.

I asked Mr. MORRIS if there was anything of particular interest in these papers, and he said that he did not believe so, that it was chiefly personal background information but he was calling it to our attention as he understood that LAMB might be a witness in the current HISS trial.

ROBERT R. GRANVILLE, SA

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO SAC, New York FROM GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field SUBJECT: JAHAM

FURBUSH. Reurtel November 22, 1949, concerning JAMES

The necessity for his appearance was explained to Mr. COSTIGANO President of Corson & Gruman Company who said he would personally see that FURBUSH appeared in New York whenever the government so desired.

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3 FROM ST. LOUIS URGENT SAC JAHAM. REURTEL THIS DATE. MRS. GLADYS TALLEY AND HUSBAND TOTHOW TALLEY INTERVIEWED AND STATE THAT A METAL DOOR KNOCKER WAS ATTA TO THE FRONT DOOR TO THE BEST OF THEIR RECOLLECTION AND HAVE NO REMEMBRANCE OF A DOOR BELL. RUC. NORRIS END ACK4 11-27 PH , SL R3 NY

## Nederal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Justice

November 16, 1949

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MEMORANDUN

Re: ALGER HISS et al PERJURY

Reference phone conversation of SA THOMAS SPENCER, this date.

ELLIOT INGRAM, 93 Mill River Avenue, East Rockaway, W.Y. with interviewed this dated. He is presently a student at Adelphi College in Garden City, W.Y. He resides at this address with his mother, Mrs. EDWARD J. BATEMAN,

IHCRAM stated that he attended the CampsRiggs O'Marlow in Chestertown, Maryland from 1933 until 1938 and was also at the camp during the summer of 1940. He stated that he remembered the camp during the summer of 1940. He stated that he camp for INOTHY HOBSON ery well as he had known him at the camp for several summers and had been assigned the same tent with him on several occasions. However, he did not recall any leg injury on the part of Hobson. He stated that he had met Mr. and Mrs. Hiss on several occasions at the camp.

INGRAM produced correspondence between he and his mother, showing that during August 1937 he had worked on the farm of one C. BROWN across the river from this camp. He worked and lived right on the farm and only visited the camp occasionally during that time. He was unable to state if the HISSES were at the camp daily for any extended period.

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On the morning of November 23, Mr. H. B. Fletcher of the Bureau referred to a teletype yesterday from the Washington Field Office suggesting that Mrs. LARRY DUGGANODE interviewed by this office. Mr. Fletcher advised the Bureau does not consider this interview advisable unless there is some urgent reason connected therewith. He further advised that if we come to the conclusion that Mrs. DUGGAN should be interviewed, we should first clear the interview with the Bureau.

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RE: JAHAN

Re memorandum of SA Thomas G. Spencer in instant case dated

November 22, 1949. As noted thereon, the information in Agent Spencer's rememorandum was furnished to Mr. H. B. Fletcher of the Bureau at 1:45 pm on November 22.

At 3:00 pm, pursuant to additional information received from Agent Spencer, Mr. Fletcher was advised that Judge Goddard had taken the two letters in question under advisement in order that he might read them and ascertain whether there were any inconsistencies as compared with CHAMBERS' testimony. The question of any additional FBI reports was not brought up. Mr. Fletcher was advised that the Bureau would be informed of any additional developments in this matter.

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Re: JAHAH

During the course of examination of CHAMBERS this morning, defense attorney CROSS elicited from CHAMBERS the fact that he had first been interviewed by the FBI in 1942 or 1943 and that subsequently, from then until August, 1948, he had been interviewed approximately ten to fourteen times by agents of the New York Office and, most of the time, at his office at by agents of the New York Office and, most of the time, at his office at Time, Inc. CROSS then asked for the production of FBI reports dated 5/14/42 and 6/26/45. He referred to the transcript of the first trial of the HISS case in requesting this report. AUSA MURPHY objected strenuously to the instancements signed by CHAMBERS, but were reports made by FBI Agents as a result of interviews with CHAMBERS. CROSS pressed the point and the Judge eventually decided that he would examine the two reports in question and, if he found any inconsistent statements, that he would, of course, be forced to allow the defense to see that portion which contained statements inconsistent with CHAMBERS present testimony.

It will be recalled that in the first trial, this matter was brought up almost in the same fashion and that Judge Samuel Kaufman requested that he be given the two letters in question. After Judge Kaufman examined these letters, certain portions of them were shown to the defense and CHAMBERS was subsequently cross-examined in connection with these inconsistent statements.

After this motion had been dispensed with CROSS requested that all information appearing in the FBI files wherein CHAMBERS had made statements to FBI agents be made available to him. MURPHY again strenuously objected to the production of such material, indicating that it would be a physical impossibility to even check the indices and obtain such information in a reasonable period of time.

At the close of the trial at 1:00 P. N. today, it was decided that the reports of 5/14/42 and 6/26/45 he presented to Judge Goddard for his perusal and that the matter of the additional information requested by CROSS in connection with FBI reports be handled subsequent thereto. In accordance with Judge Goddard's decision, it will be necessary to produce with Judge Goddard's decision, it will be necessary to produce at 2:15 P. Today, the New York office letters to the Bureau dated 5/14/42

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Any decision rendered by Judge Goddard or statements made by Defense Attorney CROSS in connection with other Bureau reports will be immediately brought to the attention of ASAC A. H. Belmont. During the argument between MURPHY and CROSS in poinection wit the production of these letters, CROSS stated that if the government not produce the reports, he would subpoens the agents who talked to CHAMBERS and examine them on whatever information CHAMBERS disulged by them. It might be noted that during the course of cross-examination CHAMBERS recalled having talked to an Agent Greenwald and Jack Ward. In connection with Greenwald, it might be noted that in the letter of 5/14/42, there is a report of the interview had with CHAMBERS by SA JOHN R. PAUL and E. J. Greenwald, Jr.

Federal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Justice New York, N. Y.

November 23,

MENORANDUM:

Re: JAHAW

In the opening statement of CLAUDE OROSS in this case, he indicated that the persons responsible for abstracting documents from the State Department were HENRY JULIAN WADLEIGH and (I), an individual in the Far Eastern Division of the State Department. Mr. I was not further identified. Mr. MURPHY stated that he obtained some information indicating that tified. Mr. MURPHY stated that he obtained some information indicating that wr. I might possibly be JOHN CARTER VINCENT OIT is to be noted that this individual was mentioned somewhat prominently in the AVERASIA case.

It is suggested, therefore, that the AMERASIA file be reviewed and a summary of the information concerning JOHN CARTER VINCENT be prepared so that it may be used in the event VINCENT'S name comes out in this trial.

T. G. SPENCER, Special Agent

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New York, N. Y.

VENORANDUM:

Re: JAHAW

In connection with the jury sitting in instant case, it is to be noted that Juror No. 6, ELWEB HUPPERTO indicated he was an executive of the W. Green Electric Company 130 Cedar Street, New York City. Yr. MURPHY indicated that he is somewhat concerned over HUPPERT and was desirous of knowing if we could find out some information about the Green Electric Company.

It is suggested that possibly a Dun and Bradstreet report might be obtained on the Green Electric Company which might contain some information concerning HUPPFRT, who is he, etc.

T. G. SPENCER, Special Agent

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November 23, 1949

MEMORANDUM:

Re: JAHAY

In a conference last night in connection with the trial of this case, Wr. WURPHY stated that in a telephone conversation he recently had with RAY MURPHY of the State Department, the latter told him that the manner in which the passports were obtained in the "WEINER" passport fraud case paralleled the story told by WHITTAKER CHAPBERS as to how he obtained a passport in the name of DAVID BREEN. Mr. MURPHY recalled that this case was handled by the Bureau's New York Office and suggested that possibly there might be some information in our files that might be of some assistance to him in the prosecution of this case.

It is suggested, therefore, that the WILLIAM WEINER passport file be reviewed, as well as the file 40-241. In the exhibits of the 40-241 case there appears a great deal of information concerning passport frauds in connection with Communists and Soviet agents. It is suggested that a summary of this information be prepared as soon as possible so that it can be given to Wr. WURPHY.

T. G. SPENCER, Special Agent

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### Office Memorandum UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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MEMO

RE: JAHAM PERJURY

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Reference is made to memorandum of SA T. G. SPENCER of 10/31/49 (Serial 4721) which indicated WHITTAKER CHAMBERS related on 10/18/49 that in about July, 1935, he and his wife and Mr. and Mrs. ALGER HISS had in about getting a place in the country for the rest of the summer. He and Mrs. CHAMBERS recalled reading an advertisement, probably in the Sunday edition of the "New York Times," or the "New York Herald Tribune," Sunday edition of the "New York Times," or the "New York Herald Tribune," which listed a summer place adequate for two families near Callicoon, New York. This summer place was allegedly on the Upper Delaware River, probably Just above Callicoon, and near the town of Hlack Eddie. (A check of maps and just above Callicoon, and near the town of Hlack Eddie in New York State and undoubtedly what is meant is the town of Long Eddy).

CHAMPERS related that one day, he could not recall if it was a Sunday or a week day, he, with ALGER and PRISCILIA HISS, drove to the summer place, found it to be unsuitable and returned to New York City the same day. CHAVEERS described the house as "small and shacky" and he recalled that it was situated between a dirt road and a railroad track and about one-half was situated between a dirt road and a railroad track and about one-half will from either the Delaware River or a small lake. CHAMBERS said that they mile from either the Delaware River or a small lake. CHAMBERS said that they talked to a man and woman who apparently owned the premises, but he could not give any description whatsoever of these individuals.

"New York Herald Tribune" for July 1935 be made in an effort to locate this advertisement, and if it was located that further investigation should be conducted to determine whether anyone presently residing in or near this summer place, could possibly identify ALGER and PRISCILIA HISS or WHITTAKER CHAMBERS.

On November 7 and 9, 1949 the writer, at the New York Public Library, 137 West 25th Street, New York City, reviewed the classified advertising sections of the "New York Times" and "New York Herald Tribune" for the dates from June 16 to July 31, 1935.

The following advertisements were located, one of which might be the advertisement mentioned by CHAMBERS:

Do we want this trad emered

November 10. 1949

1. "New York Times" 6/16 and 6/23/35. "2 ideal places for your summer vacation, lake, boats, \$125.00 season or \$20.00 week, write or call, immediate possession. M. C. Armstrong, Long Eddy, New York."

2. "New York Times" 6/23/and 6/30/35 and "New York Berald "York Times" 6/16/35 "Nell furnished 5 room cottage, Delaware 1. Tribune" 6/16/35 "Nell furnished 5 room cottage, Delaware 1. River, mountains, Improvements, bathing, bass fishing, \$100.00.

N. Bishop, Long Eddy, New York."

3. "New York Herald Tribune" 6/23/35. "Sullivan County - for rent for summer season, furnished apartment and bungalow, modern conveniences, near Delaware River and mountains it is being been with the work."

Wrs. W. H. Voight, Long Eddy, New York.

"New York Herald Tribune" 6/30/35. 2 2 Turnished cottages. healthy location, reasonable, daily mail, vegetable garden included, christian neighbors. Jacob H. Drehef, Callicoon, New York."

It is suggested that investigation be conducted at Long Eddy, New York, and Callicoon, New York, both of which are in Sullivan County, at the places mentioned in the above set out advertisements, to determine whether anyone presently residing in or near these summer places, or the persons who placed the above advertisements, can identify photographs of AICER HISS and placed the above advertisements, can identify photographs of AICER HISS and placed the above advertisements, as those of individuals who in 1935, were seeking a summer place in Long Eddy or Callicoon, New York.

SA ROY J. BARLOGA

607 U. S. Court House Foley Square New York 7, N. I. Hovember 22, 1949 Taos, New Mexico Dear Wr. Kloss: I wish to acknowledge your letter of November 17, 1949. Your interest in forwarding me the information you did is indeed ap-Your interest in forwarding me the impropriate attent preciated. You may be assured that it will receive appropriate attent preciated. You may be assured that it will receive appropriate attent EDWARD SCHEIDT, Special Agent in Charge AJT:RAA 65-14920

Taos, New Mexico November 17, 1949

Pederal Bureau of Investigation New York, New York

Dear Sirs:

You undoubtedly know that, in regard to the Hiss-Chambers trial, Hiss refused to submit to a lie-detector test by the late Dr. Leonarde Keeler, the Chicago criminologist, whereas Chambers agreed to submit to the test. The inference is obvious, but the point has not been brought out at the trial. Could you not bring it to the attention of the United States attorneys?

Having worked on the sidelines with Leonarde Keeler and Chief Vollmer of the Berkeley, California, police force many years ago, I have great faith in the lie-detector. Were I myself accused of anything, I shoul request a lie-detector test immediately, for I know it would clear me in the eyes of the experts at least.

I consider Hiss one of our worst traitors. I think he should hang for his Yalta manipulations alone. I hope you will press this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Nederal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Justice New York 7, New York

November 19, 1949

MENO

RE: JAHAN

at the request of SA Thomas G. Spencer, I telephonically contacted the Baltimore Office and spoke with Mr. FRANK JOHNSTONE. I told Mr. JOHNSTONE that WHITTAKER-CHAMBERS had advised us that his lawyer, RICHARD CLEVELAND, was going to turn over to JOHNSTONE a birth certificate in the name of URSULA BREEN and any papers CLEVELAND had pertaining to CHAMBERS. Mr. JOHNSTONE said that he had received these papers but had not as yet forwarded them to New York City. I told him that it was important to the trial on perative that all of these papers reach New York prior to the trial on Monday morning, and specifically requested that they be delivered by an Agent.

Mr. JOHNSTONE said this would be done.

ROBERT R. GRANVILLE, SA

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November 18, 1949

MEMO:

Ro: JAHAM PERJURY: ESPIONAGE - R

Re memo of SA T. G. SPENCER, 11/17/49, requesting investigation at Department of Health, New York City; concerning Birth Certificates of DAVID. BREEN and EDNA ROGERS.

On November 18, 1949 the writer contacted MATTHEW BURNS, First Deputy Commissioner, Department of Health, New York City, 125 Worth Street, who referred the writer for the required information to CARL L. ERHARDY Director, Bureau of Records and Statistics, Department of Health, New York City.

Mr. ERHARDT advised that the Health Department had received a subpoena from the attorneys for ALGER HISS dated November 15, 1949, requiring the bringing in Federal Court of:

- 1. Birth record of DAVID BREEN, born April 28, 1900, son of JOHN EDWARD BREEN,
- 2. Death certificate of DAVID BREEN, date of death unknown;
- 3. Death certificate of JOHN EDWARD BREEN who died September 26, 1908.

ERHARDT stated that the birth and death records of DAVID BREEN were located, but no record was found for the death of JOHN EDMARD BREEN.

A representative of the Department of Health appeared in Federal Court on November 17, 1949 with photostatic copies of the birth and death records of DAVID BREEN, but he was advised that he was not needed at the time, and should hold himself in readiness for a future call to appear.

ERHARDT exhibited a photostatic copy of the Birth Certificate of DAVID BREEN dated May 7, 1900, Number 7889-1900, Brooklyn. This birth report had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 169 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 169 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 169 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 169 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 169 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 169 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 169 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 169 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 169 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 169 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 169 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 170 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 189 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 189 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 189 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 189 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 189 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 189 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 189 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 189 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 189 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 189 Filloby Street, had been made by Dr. JOSEPH A. KENEY (handwriting not clear), 189 Filloby Street, had been made by D

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The father was born in the United States, was twenty-eight years old, and his occupation was a cyerk. The mother was MAY BREEN whose name before marriage was —— O'NEIL 17 Clermont Avenue, born in the United States, and twenty-three years old. The BREENS had one previous child, and on the birth of DAVID three years old. The BREENS had one previous child, and on the birth of DAVID three years old. The BREENS had one previous child, and on the birth of DAVID three years old.

been made for a copy of the birth record of DAVID BREEN, which was made on March 16, 1935. The name of the person who made the request and received a copy of the birth certificate was not shown in the records. The only other request for this birth certificate was made by subpoena from the HISS attorneys.

of EDNA ROCERS unless more specific information was given to him such as the date of birth, names of the parents, etc.

ENHARDT exhibited a photostatic copy of Death Certificate Number, 1775

Brooklyn, for DAVID HREEN which was dated October 18, 1903 and signed by Dr.

JOSEPH A. KENE, 14 Greene Avenue. This certificate indicated that DAVID BREEN, white, male, died at 17 Clermont Avenue (Brooklyn) at the age of three years, white, male, died at 17 Clermont Avenue (Brooklyn) at the age of three years, white, male, died at 17 Clermont Avenue (Brooklyn) at the age of three years, white, months. He was born in Brooklyn and died in a private home. His father, JOHN ED BREEN was born in the United States. His mother's maiden have was a significant of the deceased.

MARY O'NEILI and she was born in Brooklyn. The doctor attended the deceased on October 17 and 18, 1903. TAVID BREEN died on October 18, 1903 at about 1, 1800 A. M. The cause was diphtheria (duration six days), and contributing the laws of the cause was diphtheria (duration six days), and contributing the laws of the cause was diphtheria (duration six days), and contributing the laws of the cause was diphtheria (duration six days).

cause was heart failure.

ROY L. BARLOGA, SA

Office Memorandum : UNITED STATES GOVERNMENS Hiss case MEMORANDUM The Hiss attorneys have subpoended the birth record of David Breen from the New York City Health Department. It would appear that this is in connection with the passport application of Whittaker Chambers in the name of David Breen, which the defense have subpoensed and which they have seen. Mr. Murphy requests that investigation be made at the Department of Health in order to locate this birth certificate and copy therefrom all perti nent information. An effort should also be made to determine what, if any requests were made, and by whom, for a copy or copies of the birth certificate of David Breen. of David Breen. According to the passport application filed by Chambers, he indicated that he, as David Breen was born in New York City April 28, 1900, and his father's name was John Edward Breed, born at Rutland Vermont, and died September 26, 1908; that David Breen was married April 3, 1929. It is requested that the information appearing on this birth certificate be obtained. In the passport application of David Breen L it is indicated that Breen's wife's name was Edna Rogers of It is requested that a search of the Board of Health records be made to determine, if possible the location of a birth certificate in the name of Edna Rogers, it being assumed that she was born somewheres between 1900 and 1910. Mr. Murphy requests that every effort be made to obtain the Edna Rogers birth certificate and that, if this appears to be an unsurmountable task, he be so advised.

Mathew Burns r.G.B.

Sederal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Justice

New York, New York

PROPERTY CLERK

TRAINING UNIT

MENO

RE: JAHAN

At 1:45 pm on November 17, 1949, Mr. H. B. Fletcher of the Bureau was advised that the jury for the HISS trial had been picked and it; consisted of 8 women and 4 men. The alternates have not yet been picked. The judge is HENRY W. GODDARD.

Mr. Fletcher was advised that the former maid, EDITH, watched people coming out of the elevators on the 13th floor and immediately and positively picked out PRISCILLA HISS. She partially identified ALGER in that he resembled the man she recalled, but her identification was not. positive as to him.

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New York, New York

November 17, 1949

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### re: Jahan

At 3:50 pm today, I advised Mr. H. B. Fletcher that two alternate jurors had been selected this afternoon and that the trial will commence tomorrow morning at 10:30 with both sides opening, and that the government would present more or less routine witnesses such as the foreman of the Grand Jury which returned the indictment and utility company representatives who could testify to the various residences of HISS.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Justice

New York, New York

November 17, 1949

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TO THE WATSON

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RE: JAHAN

On the afternoon of November 16, Mr. Donald Parsons of the Bureau Laboratory called relative to our teletype of November 14th, wherein we requested the Laboratory to furnish us with the dates of all laboratory reports showing examination of all typewriting specimens obtained and examined which are dated during the year 1937 and for the first four months of 1938. Mr. Parsons advised that this would entail a rather length project and he wanted to be sure that the Laboratory understood that we wanted what we asked for in the teletype.

I advised him that the defense attorneys in one of their motions had stated that the FBI during its investigation interviewed and obtained typewritten documents from between 500 and 1,000 persons, which documents had not been returned by the Bureau to the persons interviewed. Further, the defense contended that some of these documents might be identified as having been written on a Corona portable typewriter and if the defense was able to examine such documents, it would enable the defense to more exactly determine the date when HISS got rid of the Woodstock typewriter inasmuch as it was supplanted by the Corona portable typewriter. I advised Mr. Parsons that during the forthcoming trial it may be that the defense will renew its request for such documents; therefore, we desire to be in a position to know what documents the laboratory had examined and if the documents had been returned to the persons supplying them.

Mr. Parsons advised that the Laboratory would get to work on this at once and furnish us the desired information.

A. H. BELMONT ASAC

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URGENT AND IMMEDIATE ATTENTION SAC NEW YORK

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## United States Department of Justice Bederal Bureau of Investigation.

607 U. S. Court House Foley Square New York 7, N. Y.



November 17, 1949

ME'ORANDUM:

Re: JAHAM

At 4:40 p.m. on November 16, 1949, the writer telephonically contacted Supervisor Tracy of the Newark Division and requested the leads be expedited which were set forth in New York teletype to Newark dated November 15. Mr. Tracy advised that arrangements had been made which would produce the desired information concerning D. SHERWAN of the Plaza Hotel, Camden, New Jersey, by the morning of November 17.

At 9:30 a.m. on November 17, the writer telephonically contacted ASAC Kaack of the Newark Office and requested that the investigation at Camden be expedited. Mr. Kaack advised that he would personally follow the matter, and have this office telephonically advised of the results obtained.

T. J. McANDREWS, Special Agent

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO SA

SAC, NEW YORK

SAC, BALTIMORE

SUBJECT:

JAHAM PERJURY; ESPIONAGE (R); I.S. (R) DATE: 11/15/49

There is enclosed to the NYO a copy of a memorandum from PH dated 11/14/49, together with a map of Montgomery County, Pa., which was forwarded to BA by PH in referenced memo.

Inasmuch as Mr. CHAMBERS will be in NYC commencing Nov. 16, and the Ba Office does not contemplate seeing him within the near future, the NYO is requested to exhibit the map to CHAMBERS as requested by PH and advise the PH Office of the results so that they may be assisted in their search for the tourist house in the vicinity of Center Square, Pa.

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November 14, 1949

SAC. Baltimore

SAC. Philadelphia :

PERJURY:

ESPIONAGE (R):

INTERNAL SECURITY (R) (Baltimore File 65-1642)

Reference is made to Baltimore teletype to the Bureau, Hew York nd Philadelphia dated November 2, 1949.

Efforts to locate the tourist house at which AIGER HISS and WHIT TAKER CHAMBERS remained overnight on the Saturday night before Easter, 1934; or 1935, have been fruitless.

A detailed map of Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, is being forwarded with this letter for the assistance of the Baltimore Office in attempting to refresh WHITTAKER CHAMBERS' recollection of the tourist nouse on Route 202 in the vicinity of Center Square, Pennsylvania. The map has inked notations of landmarks, many of which were present during the period; 1934-35. The distances north and south of Center Square of these landmarks are approximated. The notation on the map regarding Strassburger's Estate indicates that the estate is bordered by a white stone wall approximately ten feet in height and approximately two-tenths of a mile in length. This wall parallels Route 202 on the west or left side facing north and is a little more than one mile north of Center Square. The notation regarding William Penn Inn was entered on the map in that it is a landmark that might. easily refresh CHAMBERS' recollection since the Inn was located at the same site approximately four miles north of Center Square on the west or left it side facing north since approximately 1925. The Gwynned Inn is indicated

on the map as the Sunset Inn, by which name it was known in 1934-35.

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FORTHCOMING RXX TRIAL OF THIS MATTER IN NYC. HANSEN ON TRANSFER TO LOS ANGELES AND DUE TO LEAVE NOVEMBER TWENTYFIVE, NEXT. REQUEST YOU CONTACT USA TO DETERMINE POSSIBILITY THAT HANSEN WILL BE CALLED AS WITNESS IN ORDER THAT APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS FOR POSSIBLE DELAY.

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# AID TO HISS—IN CAPITAL DISCLOSED

Informant Says State
Department Files
Open to Counsel

BY WILLARD EDWARDS
WASHINGTON, Nov. 7—Secret
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highly qualified informant today.

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Attorneys for the former tepranking State Department efficial have been given free access to many of the files from which he is alleged to have stolen documents for a Soviet apy.

Hiss is scheduled to go to trial Nov. 17 on charges of swearing falsely to a grand jury last December when he denied peddling the confidential papers to Whittaker Chambers, confessed agent for the Kremling

His first trial ended in a jury disagreement last July with eight of 12 jurors voting for a guilty verdict.

#### Meet Obstacles

In some sections of the State Department, it was learned, Hiss' legal staff encountered obstacles. The Passport Bureau refused to permit examination of its papers and attempt of the part of the part

The Hiss lawyers, it was said, were even permitted to examine confidential files which have been banned to Congressional investigators by a Presidential gag order. They were seeking evidence, it was said, not only to buttress Hiss defense, but to discredit government witnesses against him.

#### Work with Counsel

Hiss, free under \$5000 bond, obtained legal permission some time ago to leave the New York court's jurisdiction and come to Washington to work with attorneys in shaping a "new line of defense."

Hiss has powerful friends in Washington, including State Secretary Acheson, under whom he once served. According to testimony of former Assistant Secretary A. Berle, the Acheson-Hiss group in the State Department was known an the "pro-Russian" clique.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: November 8, 1949

TO : SAC, NEW YORK

Attention: Supervisor THOMAS MOANDREWS SAULT

FROM : SAC, BOSTON

TEXAL TELES & LESS

SUBJECT: JAHAM
PERJURY
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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

PLOFILTY CLERK TRAINING UNIT

Reference is made to the telephone call from your office to Assistant Special Agent in Charge WILLIAM J. WEST on the morning of November 8 last.

for your confidential information is

he has voluntarily furnished information to the Boston Division concerning Communist activities which have come to his attention as

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It can be further noted that, beyond the limited reporting of the instant case in the Boston Herald, the Boston informant is not acquainted with any of the details of the instant matter.

voluntarily furnished him by anyone of such a nature would be of interest to this Bureau should he care to report it. There is every indication that he would so report.

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## United States Department of Instice Rederal Bureau of Investigation

New York, New York

November 9, 1949

MENO

RE: JAHAM PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R

On November 3, 1949 Doctor PAUL W. MASSING was interviewed by Special Agent John W. O Wara and the writer. He advised that during the previous week the head of the Sociology Department at Rutgers University and his superior, one Wr. RILEY had contacted and advised him that an attorney by the name of VAN MERON (Phonetic) had contacted RILEY and wanted to interview Doctor WASSING since he understood that Doctor MASSING was separated from his wife, HEDE WASSING who is to be a witness in the coming trial of ALGER HISS. VAN MERON advised RILEY that he wanted to find out from Doctor WASSING some information concerning HEDE WASSING'S citizenship status, also something concerning her reliability.

Doctor WASSING told Mr. RILEY that he did not wish to talk to VAN MERON and that so far as he knew Mrs. WASSING'S citizenship status was legally sound and that anything she said was absolutely reliable.

Doctor WASSING has not heard from VAN MERON since the contact through RILEY.

VAN VERON is probably VAN WERTON, who is an attorney in the law firm of McLean, who has been handling the bulk of the preparation for the defense in connection with the coming trial.

On November 7, 1949 HEDE WASSING advised the writer that she had on the morning of November 7, 1949 received a call from a girl named HELGA CONROY? who formerly worked with her at the Shipyard in Hoboken, New Jersey during the war. HEDE was HELGA'S boss. They were very friendly. HELGA advised HEDE that she had been contacted through an attorney friend of hers named SALINE (Phonetic), who was speaking for an attorney, CLAYTON (Phonetic), who represented the law firm of Hutton and Hinch (Phonetic). HELGA was to be interviewed concentrately to her knowledge of HEDE MASSING. She called HEDE immediately after she

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agreed to be interviewed, which was to be on November 8, 1949.

HEIE stated that she would call the writer just as soon as HEIGA was interviewed and has advised her of the results of the interview.

WILLIAM J. WC CARTHY, JR., SA

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERN DATE: November MEMO This morning, Supervisor West of the Boston Office called And CPERTY CLERK put SA Francis D. O'Brien on the phone. O'Prien advised that relative to design wer These people are considered members of a prominent Boston Tamily and the A detailed letter is being forwarded to New York today on this matte AJT: CTC 65-14920